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DETAILED ACTION

 Claims 1 through 42 are pending. Claims 1 has been amended. Claims 41 and 42 have been newly added. Applicant's claim to priority from provisional application 60/544970 filed February 12, 2004 is acknowledged. Applicant's amendments and arguments filed August 22, 2008 have been entered and carefully considered.

Prior Rejections

- 2. With regard to the prior rejection of claims 1 and 16 through 21 under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112 on the basis of lacking enablement for all cyclic anhydrides and imides, Applicant has argued that each recited cyclic anhydride and imide possesses functional groups suitable for acylation of a formula (II) compound, and it is not necessary to provide information regarding the product solubilities in suitable solvents. Applicant's argument is found to be persuasive. Therefore, the rejection of claim 1 and 16 through 21 as lacking enablement for all recited cyclic anhydrides and imides is hereby withdrawn.
- 3. With regard to the prior rejection of claims 1, 13, 15 and 23 through 27 under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112 on the basis of lacking enablement for R, R¹, Y and Z substituents, Applicant has amended claim 1 to excluded hydroxyl and amino R¹, and to clearly specify the groups that may be converted to cyano and dimethylaminomethyl moieties. Claims 26 and 27, however, contain R¹ as hydroxyl and amino which have been removed from claim 1. Therefore, the rejection of claim 1, 13, 15 and 23 through 25 as lacking enablement for R, R¹, Y and Z substituents is hereby withdrawn, however.

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claims 26 and 27 are rejected as lacking enablement for R, R¹, Y and Z substituents for reasons of record.

4. With regard to the prior rejection of claims 10 and 11 under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, Applicant argues that the order in which conversions are made to the R, Z, and Hal groups is inconsequential. The argument by Applicant is found, however, not to be persuasive. As stated in the instant specification, a cyano group can be converted to a dimethylaminomethyl group. This clearly would restrict the order in which the Z and R groups can be respectively converted to dimethylaminomethyl and cyano. In the instance where Z and R are both cyano, conversion of Z to dimethylaminomethyl would also alter R as cyano. Therefore, the rejection of claims 10 and 11 as lacking enablement is hereby maintained for reasons of record.

Claim Objections

- 5. Claims 12, 28 through 30, 35 through 37, and 40 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
- Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David E. Gallis whose telephone number is 571-272-9068. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur 8:30-7:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Janet Andres can be reached on 571-272-1600. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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